

HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST

COOKING SAFETY

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Does a grown-up always stay in the kitchen when food is cooking on the stove?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are stove tops and counters clean and uncluttered?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are there pot holders within easy reach of the stove?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are pot handles turned inward so they can't be bumped?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are curtains and other things that can burn well away from the stove?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is there a "kid-free" zone of three feet (one meter) around the stove when grown-ups are cooking?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are items that could attract children (e.g. cookies and candy) kept above the range and are out of the immediate area?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is the stove left unattended when cooking?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is there a fire extinguisher in your kitchen? Do not use water to douse a flaming pot. Smother with cover or baking sheet or use fire extinguisher.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is there a fire extinguisher near the farthest exit from the stove?

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are extension cords used safely? (Are they not under carpets or across doorways?)
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are electrical cords arranged neatly so they neither dangle loosely nor entangle with one another?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are electrical extension cords used for permanent wiring? They should be used only temporarily.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are electrical cords in good condition, without cracks or frayed areas? Always replace worn out cords?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are kitchen appliances – such as the coffee-maker, toaster oven, and microwave – plugged into separate receptacle outlets? Never overload electrical outlets.

SMOKE ALARMS / HOME FIRE ESCAPE

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Does your home have smoke alarms on every level, including the storage and outside each sleeping area?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are smoke detectors placed near bedrooms, either on the ceiling or 6-12 inches below the ceiling on the wall?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are smoke detectors tested according to manufacturer's instructions on a regular basis (at least once a month) and are kept in working condition at all times?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are the batteries working in all your smoke alarms? (A grown-up should help by pushing the test button to find out.)
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are all the exits in your home clear of furniture, toys, and clutter?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Does your family have a home fire escape plan that includes two exits, usually a door and a window, from each room?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Has your family picked a safe place to meet outside after you exit your home?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Have you and your family practiced a home fire drill within the last six months? (Why not do one tonight?)
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Do you know the fire department's emergency phone number (which should be called from a neighbor's or nearby phone once you get outside)?

SAFETY

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are matches, lighters, and all flammable materials kept out of the reach of children?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are flammable materials kept away from a heat source? Store all flammable and combustible products in cool, well ventilated places, locked securely and/or out of the reach of children.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Tap water should never be hot enough to scald wrist. Run cold water in tub first, and then use hot water to warm to desired temperature.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Check in on children often. Never leave a child unsupervised for an extended period of time.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Make sure all medications and chemicals are out of child's reach and/or in child-proof locked cabinets.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	In case of fire, it's a good practice to keep water in plastic bottles in bedroom closets to dampen cloths for face protection during escape.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Never encourage or allow a child to play with a lighter or to think of it as a toy. Do not use it as a source of amusement for a child. Once their curiosity is aroused, children may seek out a lighter and try to light it.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Always check to see that cigarettes are extinguished before emptying ashtrays. Stubs that are still burning can ignite trash.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is the no smoking in bed policy practiced in your home?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Purchase garments for children that are intended for sleepwear since they are usually made to be flame resistant.

STORAGE AND GARAGE

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Is stored gasoline in a container approved by your fire department intended for this use?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are flammable liquids such as fuels kept in the house? Keep paints, thinners, and other combustible chemicals out of child's reach. Ideally, these materials should be kept in a locked metal cabinet, away from heat sources.
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Are soiled and oily rags disposed of properly in a sealed metal can?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	When not in actual use, lawn mowers and all gas powered appliances should be stored empty.